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E.O.: 11652: GDS

TAGS: OTRA, PFOR, CA, CM

SUBJ: VISIT OF CANADIAN FOREIGN MINISTER TO CAMEROON

REF: OTTAWA 1052

1. CANADIAN FOREIGN MINISTER, ALAN J. MACEACHEN VISITED CAMEROON APRIL 22-24, WITH IMPRESSIVE ENTOURAGE INCLUDING CIDA OFFICIALS. CANADIAN CHARGE HAS GIVEN US FOLLOWING RUN-DOWN OF VISIT.

2. PURPOSE OF VISIT WAS TO PERMIT RELATIVELY NEW FONMIN WHO HAD NO PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE WITH AFRICA TO BECOME ACQUAINTED WITH AFRICAN PROBLEMS AND SOME OF THE LEADERS. FIVE COUNTRIES WERE CHOSEN FOR THIS TWO WEEK VISIT: NIGERIA, UPPER VOLTA, IVORY COAST, CAMEROON AND GHANA.

3. WHILE IN CAMEROON FONMIN MET WITH PRESIDENT AHIDJO WHO SUBSEQUENTLY HOSTED A DINNER FOR HIM. HE ALSO MET WITH MINISTERS OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, PLAN, TRANSPORT, INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT, AND EDUCATION. MEETINGS TENDED TO BE MORE PROTOCOLAIRE THAN SUBSTANTIVE. MINISTERS SET FORTH THEIR GENERAL OBJECTIVES AND PLANS BUT MADE NO SPECIFIC REQUESTS OF VISITOR. CANADIANS HAD NO PARTICULAR PROBLEMS OF THEIR OWN TO RAISE.

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4. MEETING WITH PRESIDENT WENT WELL AND PRESIDENT MADE A VERY  
GOOD IMPRESSION. WHILE MEETING LASTED HOUR AND A HALF, ABOUT  
HALF THAT TIME CONSUMED BY NECESSARY TRANSLATIONS. DISCUSSION  
WAS ALMOST EXCLUSIVELY CENTERED ON CANADIAN ECONOMIC AID ACTIVI-  
TIES IN CAMEROON. PROBLEMS OF SOUTHERN AFRICA WERE NOT RAISED  
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